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The EPA proposal for the clean-up of the lower Willamette River in the Portland harbor is totally inadequate and the expense falls mostly on the taxpayer.

Of the 2200 most contaminated acres of river sediment, the Draft Plan proposes to dredge a mere 167 acres, or approximately 8%.

Overall, 1900 acres, or 86% of the site will have no treatment. This is like taking a few paper towels to clean up a major oil spill.

Therefore the Draft Cleanup Plan removes far too little of the contaminated sediment from the Willamette River. The planned "Monitored Natural Recovery" is inadequate to bring the contamination in our lifetime down to a level to end the Fish Consumption Advisory. It should be the responsibility of the polluters to bring the contamination with substances like PCBs and other toxic pollutants down to an acceptable level. This should be rigorously monitored after clean-up and the results need to be publicized.

Sincerely,

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